(2) If the answer to part (1) is in the affirmative, will they be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the area and *taravila* specified in each of them ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : (1) Yes.

(2) A statement* containing the particulars required by the member is laid on the table.

Construction of an outer reservoir for the Tamaracolam Old Allom.

184. **MR. V. CHELLAM PILLAI** (*Tovala*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there was any proposal by the former Excise Commissioners and Assistant Excise Commissioners to construct an outer reservoir in the south-eastern portion of the Manakudi lake for the use of the Pazhaya Allom, Tamaracolam ; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the action taken by the Government on it ?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) The answer is in the negative.

(*b*) In view of the answer to part (*a*), this does not arise.

Nayar students admitted into the Collegiate Hostel.

185. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of students that could be admitted in the Collegiate Hostel ;

(*b*) the number of students admitted this year (1930-31) ;

(*c*) the number of applicants who were refused admission ;

(*d*) the reasons for refusing admission to the applicants referred to in part (*c*) ;

(*e*) the number of students in the Nayar mess during the current year and the number during the preceding year ; and

(*f*) the number of Nayar students who were refused admission this year ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) (*a*) 107.

(*b*) 96 applicants were selected for admission ; but it is reported that only 72 of these have joined the Hostel so far.

(*c*) 8.

(*d*) The Warden of the Hostel was convinced that thier admission would be prejudicial to the interests of the Hostel.

(*e*) Five students have been admitted to the Nayar mess during the current academic year.

Last year 30 students were selected for admission to the Nayar mess but only 17 joined.

(*f*) One.

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* *Vide* Appendix XXIV—Page 940.

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MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : With reference to the answer to part (*d*) of the question, may I know where the students, who were refused admission, resided last year?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice of that question. I have not got that information now.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : May I know the grounds on which the Warden refused admission to them?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : Admission of students into the Hostel is left to the discretion of the Warden. He has said that in his opinion he found it necessary to refuse admission to them and therefore the applications for admission were rejected.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : So, no grounds have been mentioned by the Warden for refusing admission to these students?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): No reasons have been stated by the Warden.

Excise System for the Tamaracolam Allom.

186. **MR. V. CHELLAM PILLAI** (*Tovala*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there was any proposal to give the Excise or the Modified Excise System to the licensees of the Pazhaya *Allom*, Tamaracolam ;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the date on which the proposal matured and the reasons for not carrying it out till now (11-7-1930) ;

(*c*) whether there is any such proposal before them at present ; and

(*d*) if the answer to part (*c*) is in the affirmative, whether they have considered the necessity for holding a conference of the representatives of the licensees, the Account Officer, the Chief Secretary, the Excise Commissioner and the Head Sirkar Vakil to expedite the matter?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*c*) There is a proposal to introduce the Modified Excise System in the *Allom*.

(*b*) The question is still under correspondence.

(*d*) The matter is being considered by the Government. The Government do not consider that a conference of the kind proposed is necessary.

Purchase of lathis by the Police Department during 1102—1105.

187. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of *lathis* purchased by the Police Department during each of the years 1102, 1103, 1104 and 1105; and

(*b*) if the number purchased this year is larger than that in any of the previous years, the reason for the same?

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